

City of Corunna
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, September 21, 2009

Present: Kerridge, Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson, Haskins, Hall.

Absent: Corey (excused).

Guests: Joe Sawyer, City Manager; Tim Crawford, Superintendent of Public Works; Judy Horton; Brad Reichert; Chief Kim Williams, Police Department; Donna Kerridge; Merilee Lawson, Assessor/Planner; Brian White; Gary Arnold, C2AE; Sgt. Kevin Clark, Police Department; Robin Lynn, MSP/Magnet; Jeff Hetfield; Shane Perdue; and other concerned citizens.

The meeting was called to order in the council chambers located in Corunna City Hall by Mayor Kerridge at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to approve the previous regular meeting minutes dated September 8, 2009 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Johnson, Haskins, Hall, Mehigh.

No: None.

Abstain: Jessen.

Motion CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SPECIAL MEETING: Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to approve the previous special meeting minutes dated September 14, 2009 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Haskins, Hall, Mehigh, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Haskins, Hall, Mehigh, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

APPROVAL OF VENDOR DISBURSEMENTS: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to approve the vendor disbursements September 18, 2009 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Hall, Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Gary Arnold from C2AE reviewed the Project Status Report dated

September 21, 2009.

MAGNET PRESENTATION: Robin Lynn stated she is currently employed by the Michigan State Police and is assigned to the MAGNET drug enforcement team. She has 19 years experience on drug enforcement teams and has been a member of MAGNET for three years. She explained MAGNET is a multi jurisdictional drug task force which concentrates its drug enforcement in Shiawassee County and Gratiot County. Currently the team consists of a Gratiot County deputy, a Shiawassee County deputy, a State Police trooper and State Police sergeant and herself. Starting September 14, an officer from the St. Louis Police Department in Gratiot County joins the team. An officer from the Alma Police Department will also be joining the team. She further stated she applied for and received a grant from the stimulus money in order to get additional officers assigned to the team. MAGNET would like four additional officers from Shiawassee County and Gratiot County. She was at the meeting to request an officer from the Corunna Police Department. It would be a 32 hour position and would be funded with the stimulus grant money that MAGNET received. Currently, the grant funding is good for three years and MAGNET is asking for a commitment of one year at a time. She would like a commitment from the Corunna Police Department as soon as possible so she can get approval from the MAGNET board. Councilperson Jessen asked how many police officers the city has right now. Chief Williams advised seven. Councilperson Jessen asked if a full-time or part-time officer would be taken from the department. Chief Williams advised a part-time officer. Mr. Sawyer advised MAGNET would like to take one of the city officers if one is interested which would be fully funded from the stimulus grant money they received. He further advised he and Chief Williams have spoken with the union representative and they have indicated that they would be willing to work with the city. This would have zero implication on the city's budget or its staffing. Councilperson Haskins asked what the duties of the officer would be. Ms. Lynn advised the officer would report to the MAGNET team for 32 hours a week and would be given training. This officer would be doing surveillance, undercover work, and serve search warrants just like any other officer on the team would do. Councilperson Johnson asked if the city had ever had an officer on the team. Chief Williams advised no but it would be a great advantage for the city. Councilperson Jessen asked why the officer would only work 32 hours instead of 40 hours. Ms. Lynn advised she would love to have another 40 hour officer but the cost goes up substantially when benefits have to be paid. The officers from St. Louis and Alma work 40 hours per week with the two cities and MAGNET each paying 50 percent of the benefits. Councilperson Haskins asked if the officer would only work in the City of Corunna or the entire county. Ms. Lynn advised the officers would work anywhere in Shiawassee County or in Gratiot County if the officer is needed there, but the majority of time would be spent in Shiawassee County. Mr. Sawyer advised a decision from council is not needed tonight. He and Chief Williams would meet with the police union to come up with a proposal. The proposal would come to the council for consideration including any budget amendment recommendations. Councilperson Jessen asked what the amount of the grant was. Ms. Lynn advised \$400,000 for a three year period. She further advised she does not want to put any pressure on the council but she is also meeting with the Byron Chief of Police. The first two agencies that come on board are the two agencies MAGNET will be going with. Chief Williams stated this would be a great opportunity for the police department to get on the team. If council has any questions, he would be glad to meet with them. An agreement with the

police union is needed and he felt it could be worked out. Councilperson Johnson asked if a decision was needed tonight. Mr. Sawyer advised council could make a motion for endorsement to move forward or it could be brought back to council when more information was available. Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to approve the city manager and Chief Williams to move forward with MAGNET's request and bring it back to council.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Hall, Mehigh, Jessen, Haskins, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

Councilperson Jessen asked if MAGNET needed to have an answer by October 15. Ms. Lynn advised the sooner the better. Mr. Sawyer advised the council would be meeting on October 5. Ms. Lynn stated if anyone has any questions, they can reach her at the MAGNET office. Councilperson Johnson asked Ms. Lynn when she would be meeting with the Byron police chief. Ms. Lynn advised some time this week. She has already met with Perry and they are interested, but they cannot do it at this time. Councilperson Jessen asked Ms. Lynn if she had met with the Owosso police department. Ms. Lynn advised yes but they are having some union issues. Councilperson

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF RALPH SANFORD TO THE CORUNNA FOURTH OF JULY

COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Jessen seconded to appoint Ralph Sanford to the Corunna Fourth of July Commission.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Johnson, Haskins, Mehigh, Hall.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM LULHAM, JR. FROM THE CEMETERY BOARD

AND CORUNNA PLANNING COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Jessen seconded to accept the resignation of William Lulham, Jr. from the Cemetery Board and Corunna Planning Commission.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Hall, Jessen, Haskins, Mehigh, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

7:30 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS:

Johnson moved, Jessen seconded to leave regular session and enter public hearing to receive public comments on the proposed Community Development Block Grant application for the construction of wastewater collection system improvements.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Hall, Haskins, Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

Gary Arnold explained the last construction project required compliance with the city's administrative consent order with the MDEQ. The project will consist of construction of storm sewer improvements and storm leads to property lines of structures with sump pumps currently connected to the city's sanitary sewer system. The work to be done on private property will include sump pump disconnections and leads from the structure to the property line, which is being funded by a loan from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The total cost of the project is \$490,000 and the city will receive a \$340,000 grant from the MEDC, which will require a \$150,000 match from the city via a bond sale. The project design and bidding should begin in the fall of 2009 through the spring of 2010. It is anticipated that the construction period will be May through August 2010. Jeff Hetfield stated there is a home on Comstock Street and McArthur Street who have their sump pumps drain into the street and asked if these homes would be changed. Gary Arnold advised that these two street sections are not currently included. Tim Crawford advised he would check the houses. Johnson moved, Hall seconded to leave the public hearing and return to regular session.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Hall, Johnson, Haskins.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to approve the following resolution:

CITY OF CORUNNA
Shiawassee County, Michigan

CDBG AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION 092109-01
WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Corunna has made application to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation requesting an Economic Development Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$340,000 for construction of certain storm sewer improvements, in conjunction with the MDEQ's Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund, herein after referred to as "the Project", and

WHEREAS, the City of Corunna will provide a matching contribution of \$150,000 to fund the proposed project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS

1. The Project is consistent with the City's Community Development Plan Described in the CDBG Application.
2. The Project will enable the City to provide more efficient and better quality public services to City residents, at least fifty-one percent of who is low and moderate income.

3. No project costs (CDBG and non-CDBG) will be incurred prior to the formal grant award, completion of the environmental review procedures and receipt of formal written authorization from the MEDC to incur costs.
4. The City of Corunna is authorized to submit the Michigan CDBG application and further appoints Joe Sawyer, Corunna City Manager as the authorized person to execute the Application and related grant forms on behalf of the City of Corunna.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Corunna, Shiawassee County, Michigan, by its City Council, has caused this Resolution to be enacted this date.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson, Haskins, Hall.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER EXCUSAL OF COUNCILPERSON HALL FROM THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING DUE TO BEING OUT OF TOWN: Jessen moved, Johnson seconded to excuse Councilperson Hall from the September 14, 2009 special council meeting due to being out of town.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson, Haskins.

No: None.

Abstain: Hall.

CONSIDER EXCUSAL OF MAYOR KERRIDGE FROM THE OCTOBER 5, 2009 REGULAR

COUNCIL MEETING DUE TO BEING OUT OF TOWN: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to excuse Mayor Kerridge from the October 5, 2009 regular council meeting due to being out of town.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Johnson, Hall, Haskins, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RESIGNATION OF GAYLE WARNER FROM THE YOUTH SPORTS AND

RECREATION COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Jessen seconded to accept the resignation of Gayle Warner from the Youth Sports and Recreation Commission.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Hall, Jessen, Mehigh, Johnson, Haskins.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER DISCHARGE OF MIKE WELTE AND KEVIN DOKEY FROM THE YOUTH

SPORTS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Jessen moved, Mehigh seconded to discharge Mike Welte and Kevin Dokey from the Youth Sports and Recreation Commission.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Hall, Mehigh, Johnson, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER TERMINATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE SHIAWASSEE COUNTY

YOUTH STREET HOCKEY ORGANIZATION: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to terminate the lease agreement with the Shiawassee County Youth Street Hockey Organization.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Hall, Johnson, Haskins, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH IN-LINE HOCKEY DEPARTMENT:

Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to approve the following budget amendment to establish In-line Hockey Department:

RESOLUTION 09-21-09-02
RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2009/2010 BUDGET

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Corunna desires to Amend the 2009/2010 Budget to Adjust Departmental Expenditures and increase the Amended General Fund Appropriation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the budget for the City fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 after recommendation by the City Manager be amended by the City Council as described as follows:

<u>Fund. #</u>	<u>Fund. Name</u>	<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>
101	General Fund	\$1,764,043	\$1,764,043

BE IT, the same is hereby adopted, and the amount therein provided as recommended; appropriations are hereby appropriated according to the departmental totals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to amend the following fund appropriations:

<u>Fund. #</u>	<u>Fund. Name</u>	<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>
208	Parks & Recreation Fund	\$156,485	\$167,135
211	Parks Improvement Fund	\$63,435	\$65,435

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Haskins, Hall, Mehigh, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF DIRK WELTE TO THE YOUTH SPORTS AND RECREATION

COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to appoint Dirk Welte to the Youth Sports and Recreation Commission.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Hall, Johnson, Haskins, Mehigh, Jessen.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF SHANNON QUIRK TO THE YOUTH SPORTS AND

RECREATION COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to appoint Shannon Quirk to the Youth Sports and Recreation Commission.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Haskins, Hall, Jessen, Johnson.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF SARAH BARTON TO THE CORUNNA DOWNTOWN

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: Johnson moved, Hall seconded to appoint Sarah Barton to the Corunna Downtown Development Authority serving at the pleasure of the council and term to expire December 31, 2010.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson, Hall.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 5, 2009 AT 7:15 P.M. FOR CHANGES TO YOUTH

SPORTS & RECREATION ORDINANCE NO. 09-04: Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to set a public hearing for October 5, 2009 at 7:15 p.m. for changes to Youth Sports & Recreation Ordinance No. 09-04.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Hall, Johnson, Haskins.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Councilperson Mehigh advised he had nothing to discuss.

Councilperson Jessen advised he was impressed with the way Corunna Avenue looks.

Councilperson Johnson reminded everyone that this is homecoming week.

Councilperson Haskins advised there were 106 airplanes at the airport this weekend.

Councilperson Hall advised she had nothing to discuss.

Mayor Kerridge advised he had a new addition to his family with the birth of a new granddaughter who was born on September 16 to Whitney & Jose Perez.

ADJOURN: Jessen moved, Mehigh seconded to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Mehigh, Jessen, Hall, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED Time was 8:00 p.m.

Chuck Kerridge, Mayor

Nichole L. Cowdrey, City Clerk/Treasurer